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(Utility, Design, National Stage of PCT)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

**TYPE OF DECLARATION**

This declaration is of the following type:

*(Check one applicable item below)*

- ☐ utility patent application  
☐ design patent application  
☒ national stage of PCT patent application

**INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION**

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**WAVEGUIDE TYPE VARIABLE LIGHT ATTENUATOR**

**SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

the specification of which:

*(complete (a), (b), or (c))*

(a) ☐ is attached hereto.

(b) ☐ was previously filed \_\_\_\_\_, as United States Patent Application  
Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_.

(c) ☒ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No.  
PCT/JP2006/300372 filed on January 13, 2006 and as amended under PCT  
Article § 19 on \_\_\_\_\_ (if any).

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claim(s), as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

## FOREIGN PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT international application(s) which designated at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified, by checking the box, any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) having a filing date before that of the application(s) on which priority is claimed.

(complete (d) or (e))<sup>2</sup>

(d) ☐ no such applications have been filed.

(e) ☒ such applications have been filed as follows.

*Note: Where item (c) is entered above and the International Application claims priority to a non-U.S. application, check item (e), enter the non-U.S. priority details below, and make the priority claim.*

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (month, day, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER § 119 or § 365	
Japan	2005-008207	1/14/2005	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
PCT	PCT/JP2006/300372	1/13/2006	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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## DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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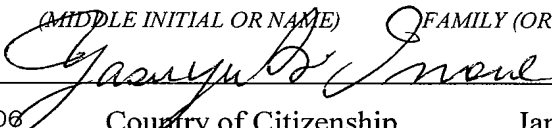
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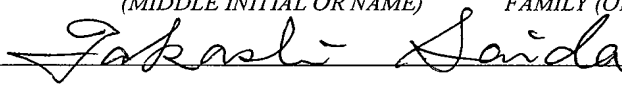
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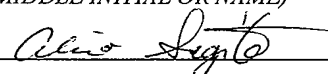
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